

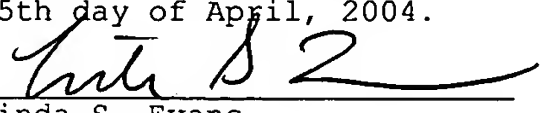
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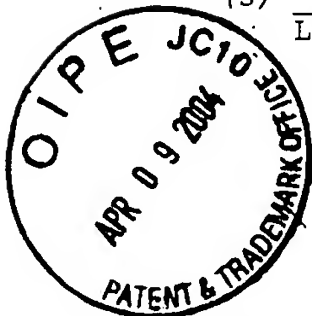
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Applicant: Kamme et al. Atty. Docket: PRI-0021 (ORT-1508)
Serial No.: 10/080,795 Art Unit: 1637
Filed: February 22, 2002 Examiner: Young J. Kim
For: Method For Generating Amplified RNA

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

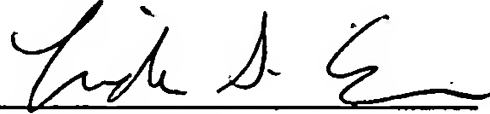
Sir:

Applicants request a three-month extension of the time for response to the final Office Action dated October 6, 2003. A Notice of Appeal accompanies this petition.

Please charge Deposit Account No. 10-0750/ORT-1508/LSE for the \$950.00 extension fee. A duplicate of this paper is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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